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Title: Tracklight System

Serial Number: 10/656/718

Examiner: Anabel M. Ton

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 12/11/07

**BACKGROUND:**

The examiner suggested a minor wording change to claim 1 which the applicant agreed to and responded with a minor wording correction to claim 1. Thus the examiner allowed claims 1-10 and rejected claims 11-14 per office action dated March 13, 2007. (**attachment 1, notice of allowance**). The office action stated: "Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quale, 1935 C.D. 11,453 O.G. 213."

The applicant accepted the suggested correction of claim 1 by telephone on Mar 17, 2007 and confirmed the acceptance and withdrew claims 11-14 to expedite patent issuance. (**attachment 2, FAX receipt**), and sent a formal response with the corrected claim 1 on Sep 26, 2007 (**attachment 3, corrected claim 1**)

The examiner then on Dec 11, 2007 withdrew allowance of claim 1 after (**attachment 4, 12/11/17**) and cited "newly discovered" two